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METHOTREXATE CONJUGATE	)	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Customer Service Window, Mail Stop Amendment  
Honorable Commissioner for Patents  
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
Randolph Building, 401 Dulany Street  
Alexandria, Virginia 22314

Sir:

Prior to examination of the present application,  
please amend as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of  
claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 18 of this paper.